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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application in view of the amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1 through 22 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Three (3) claims remain pending in the application: claims 23 through 25.

Restriction Requirement

1. Applicant elects to prosecute claims directed to Group II, claims 23 through 25, drawn to an apparatus for controlling access to a bus, classified in class 710, subclass 305.

Election of Species

2. In response to the election of species, Applicant elects the species directed to Figure 1. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 23 through 25 read upon the elected species.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited. Applicant has made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain any outstanding issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Thomas F. Lebens at (805) 781-2865 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

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